(b) During 19990 and 1991, only the price of Amoxycillin Trihydrate, a Semi Synthetic Penicillin, has been reduced on 11-2-1991. Before the prices of formulations based on reduced price of this bulk drug could be notified, the price of amoxycillin Trihydrate has been revised upwards on account of exchange rate adjustment.

(c) and (d) Market price of bulk drugs is not monitored. However, while fixing the prices of scheduled formulations, notified price of the purchase price of bulk drug, whichever is lower, is taken into account.

(e) Does not arise.

Ban on import of certain drugs

2077. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM:

SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 659 given in the Rajya Sabha on 5th September, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the basis for maintaining that Government have not received any proposal for ban on import of Norfloxacin, Metroprolol Tarterate Piroxicam and Lorazapam;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government do not have any system to acknowledge the receipt of proposal or to register them in order of receipt;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether it is also a fact that proposals for ban on imports are kept pending for years and on this account indigenous production suffers in process; and

(e) what are the details of proposals if any pending to ban on imports upto 31st October, 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) No regular proposals in the forms prescribed under EXIM Policy 1990-93 have been received in this respect.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Information will be compiled soon and laid on the Table of the House.

Consumption of Carbamezapine and Diclofenac Sodium

2078. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total consumption of Carbamezapine and Diclofenac Sodium in the country and what is the estimated requirement for 1992-93;

(b) whether it is a fact that these drugs are produced as well as imported in the country;

(c) if so, names of the producers and what was the production of each drug of each producer during the last three years, yearwise;

(d) what was the imports of each during the last three years, yearwise;

(e) whether it is a fact that these drugs are under price control; and

(f) if so, what was the price of each drug on which prices of finished medicines were fixed at consumer level and what is the present CIF and landed cost of import of each drug?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) To the extent the information in readily available, the total consumption of carbamezapine in the country during 1988-89 was 22.33 MT. Data on Diclofenac Sodium is not monitored.

(b) Yes, Sir.